



## North Bondi Precinct Committee

Meeting Minutes held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024, via ZOOM  
from 7:00pm

- Present:** Peter Quartly (Chairman), Rox De Luca, Clr Leon Goltsman, Juju Kalek, Herbert Lamb (Project Manager, Civil Infrastructure), Julius Medgyessy, Alana Novak (Community Planning Advocate), Peter McCue, David O'Halloran, Jason Pakenham (Aspect Studios), Eva Prochazka, Joshua Spicer, Bill Stavrinis and Luke Stewart.

**Apologies:** Joy Clayton and Rita Cole.

**Absent:** Clr Dominic Wy Kanak and Michelle Gray.

- Previous Minutes:** The meeting resolved the October 25<sup>th</sup> 2023 minutes be adopted as a true record of such meeting.

**Moved:** Eva      **Seconded:** Juju

The meeting resolved the Executive Minutes 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023 be adopted as a true record of such meeting.

**Moved:** Eva      **Seconded:** Juju

The meeting resolved the Special Meeting Minutes of 22<sup>nd</sup> of Feb 2024 be adopted as a true record of such meeting. (at Bobby's Café, North Bondi).

**Moved:** Luke      **Seconded:** Juju

The meeting resolved the Strategic Plan Document be adopted.

**Moved:** Juju      **Seconded:** Julius

### 3. SPECIAL ITEMS

**a) North Bondi Terminus Update presentation by** Herbert Lamb (Waverley Council) and Jason Pakenham from Aspect Studios.

**See:** REPORT CM/7.14/24.02

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Community consultation on concept design March–April 2024

Community consultation report May 2024

Jason discussed the current design recently endorsed by Council at the February meeting. The group raised concerns including pedestrians and vehicle safety and access concerns, the lack of shade/shelter for passengers waiting for buses, and that the current design of the shopping strip would negatively impact the village in numerous ways, especially with the absence of direct road frontage.

The meeting welcomes additional and deeper consultation on this.

**Action:** The Meeting resolved to appoint a subcommittee to review the North Bondi Terminus under the stewardship of Luke Stewart with 3 to 5 members. Nominees Bill Stavrinos, Peter Quartly and Julius Medgyessy.

**Moved:** Juju      **Seconded:** Luke

#### **b) Alana Novak Community Planning Advocate presentation to Precinct**

Alana explained her background, current role and responsibilities, outlining the education programs and resources she is formulating for residents to better understand planning. She is unable to discuss individual DA's but can support residents in how to approach submissions and reviews.

Alana discussed the recent *Living in Waverley Survey* –the liveability survey which seeks to gauge how people perceive their quality of life on a range of issues.

Contact details: Alana.novak@waverley.nsw.gov.au or 02 9083 8121

**c) Waverley Council Draft Advertising Planning Proposal** – Community consultation open until 5<sup>th</sup> March. The meeting discussed concerns about this.

**Action:** That the DA officer writes a submission on behalf of the NBPC regarding the Waverley Council advertising planning proposal with the following comments:

- neither objection nor support for the bus shelter changes, noting that advertising provides a funding source
- object to standalone advertising structures
- refer to the Camperdown review as an example of best practice - *Bus stop design to be implemented in accordance with State Government best practice principles.*

**Moved:** Luke    **Seconded:** Rox

## **4. BUSINESS ARISING**

### **a) Return and Earn Update**

**Action:** That Council review additional locations closer to Bondi Beach.

**Action:** To raise at the next Combined Precinct Meeting on March 7<sup>th</sup>

**Action:** To write to the State Member – Kellie Sloane Shadow Minister for Environment and Member for Vacluse.

**b) Flyer Distribution** – Five meeting participants received a flyer, others didn't.

**Action:** The Precinct continues to be concerned about the inconsistency of the mailout.

**c) Art Deco** – no update

**d) Flood planning** – The Chairman to chase up

**e) Broken Pipe** – In Council's Report – monitoring it.

**f) Vicars Lane flooding – concrete piping issue**, Bill Stavrinou has resent photos of lane to Council.

**g) DA – 146 Blair**

The Meeting discussed disappointment in Council and the outcome of the DA and how it has a set of rules around compliance and planning and that they aren't always followed, and that this reflects poorly on Council and is a discouragement to the Community.

**Action:** That the Precinct writes to Council outlining concerns about this specific situation which reflects general/broader handling of Council and DA/Development issues.

**Moved:** Julius Medgyessy      **Seconded:** Eva Prochazka

**h) Eastgate Parking** – Eva conveyed another recent experience and questioned the unfair price for parking - unreasonable and not in line with the Westfield parking arrangement nearby.

**i) School signage on Warners Ave** – Council advised it is not their responsibility.

**Action:** Luke to take up with the appropriate authority.

## 5. REPORTS

### a) Chairman

**Resolved:** The Chairman's report be adopted. (see separate document)

The following matters were specifically raised:

- i **Dead Screw pines at South Bondi** – have been replaced.
- ii **Broken pipe @ bottom of ramp 4 on Bondi Beach** – Council do not see it as a problem.
- lii **Aboriginal rock art @ Golf Course & on cliff face below Marks Parks deterioration** – there have not been any developments. Concern was expressed with respect to the lack of action.

**Resolved:** we express our concern to Council

iv) **December Combined Precinct Meeting & Councils actions in removing two Councillors from positions of authority** - discussed generally & advised he did not vote in favour of the two motions querying Councils actions & free speech. He presented a further motion regarding the poor Chairmanship & knowledge of meeting procedure, in relation to the same meeting that was passed.

v) **Problem Waste Drop off** - raised concerns about residents needing to travel beyond their LGA for this and suggests that Council arrange a drop-off location within the LGA. Many years ago, this was previously available at Bondi Junction near the bus interchange.

**Action:** The Chairman write to Council about this.

vi) **Bondi Sewerage upgrade** – advised this was proceeding at a slow pace.

vii) **Woman's Artworks** – advised there is a brilliant display on at the Pavilion & one of the artists is Rox.

viii) **Waverley Centennial Book** – going ahead – Library proceeding with the updating. They are forming a committee and its likely to be an electronic book and not printed.

ix) **Waverley Library** -seems to have gotten rid of its reference library, which included a large number of art books.

x) **Leanne Katz** – advised he thought he had discussed her concerns with her, however, he will again contact her. It is his understanding that she had gone through all avenues including the Ombudsman.

xi) **Beach Volley Ball** – advised the number of courts has changed from 3 to 4, however, there are now more and more on the beach

xii) **Sea wall was severely damaged during a recent storm** – advised has been repaired, however, still some broken wiring.

xiii) **Jessica Ilacqua** - advised that he has written to the GM Emily Scott, advising of how much work she does & the assistance provided. Emily responded positively.

## b) Secretary

### i) DA BEACH ROAD HOTEL

The Secretary advised that the Bondi Beach Precinct are having a meeting at 7:00 pm on 11 March in the Ocean Room in the Pavilion about the new DA for the Beach Road Hotel and the manager of the Hotel will be there.

## c) Deputy Chair

i) Report: Attended the recent Combined Precinct Meeting.

ii) The Chair formulated this motion at the request of Juju:

The Precincts members entitled to vote (two) at future Combined Precinct meetings, be rotated equally between the following Offices (Convenor, Deputy Convenor, Secretary, DA Officer and Traffic Officer).

**Moved:** Juju Kalek **Seconded:** Rox De Luca Adopted.

**d) DA Officer**

Luke Stewart described a quiet patch in DA world, and mentioned the recent

i) NSW State Government: -

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ii) Bill Stavrinos mentioned the recent article in the media about the policy Sydney housing density changes to be triggered by shopping centres, restaurants (smh.com.au)

**e) Traffic Officer**

Nil report.

**6 GENERAL BUSINESS**

**a) Noise generated by Ciao Bella Wairoa Avenue, North Bondi**

Julius Medgyessy discussed his concerns with the noise generated by the local business/café Ciao Bella who have an “aperitivo” on Fridays and Saturday evenings until 9pm.

He also noted that the business has applied for additional seating 9 seats outside (DA FPS-2/2024). They currently have 19 inside and 9 outside, so this would mean 18 outside.

The Meeting discussed noise generated by backpackers and parties in nearby streets where noise can be heard until 4am.

Concerns were raised about the vague rules around noise levels and that Council could employ modern technology to monitor this, ie noise and visual systems to track this in real time.

**Action:** That Julius organises a petition of residents who shares his concerns with Ciao Bella.

**Action:** Peter Quartly/Bill Stavrinos and David O’Halloran write a letter regarding noise levels.

**Action:** To ask Alana Novak to advise on noise pollution and how residents can best address this.

**b) Helicopter Noise**

David O’Halloran mentioned his concern with helicopters. Whilst it is likely that helicopters are used for Police and search and rescue functions, David suggested there are more in the area that are likely to be leisure-based.

**Action:** David draft a letter to the Federal Member: Allegra Spender.

ixv) **South Bondi –“ Raves”** - David O’Halloran discussed the unregulated and unmonitored Raves in the South Bondi area, perpetuated by social media, generating a mass of people congregating in this area often involving alcohol and music. David O’Halloran noted that Council have acknowledged a problem in their recent Council Meeting when they voted against franchised sale of alcohol on the beach during high impact events.

**NOTICE OF MOTION CM/8.11/24.02 Subject: Commercial High Impact Events on Beaches**

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**Action:** That Council considers the impacts of these gatherings and construct an appropriate management plan to deal with these situations.

**End of Meeting: 9:20pm**

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